## IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

4th day of October, 2016

| PRESENT: |                |  |  |
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| ABSENT:  |                |  |  |
|          | RESOLUTION NO. |  |  |

## RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2016 AS SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, for most of us, home is a place of warmth and security and family can be counted among our blessings. Tragically, for many Americans these blessings are tarnished because of intimate partner violence.

WHEREAS, one in every three Americans have been victims of physical violence by an intimate partner within their lifetime and while physical marks may often be the most obvious signs of the harm caused by intimate partner violence, the true extent of the pain goes much deeper.

WHEREAS, one in every fifteen children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence.

WHEREAS, children from violent homes are physically abused or seriously neglected at a rate significantly higher than the national average and have greater risks of alcohol and drug abuse, cognitive and developmental problems;

WHEREAS, our local women's shelters combined provided a variety of prevention and direct services to intimate partner violence victims last year, including over 8396 nights of shelter, as well as 9356 nights of transitional housing, with over 56.5% provided to children;

WHEREAS, since 1994 the San Luis Obispo County Intimate Partner Violence Coalition has been a major ally in directly confronting the problem of intimate partner violence through interagency collaboration and engaging in prevention and intervention efforts;

WHEREAS, Intimate Partner Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing intimate partner violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

WHEREAS, this month, we recognize the survivors and victims of intimate partner violence whose courage inspires us all. We join together in our commitment to address the behaviors associated with, and the causes of, intimate partner violence so that every home in our communities can be a place of peace and safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors designates October 2016 as "SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH" and urges all citizens to observe this month by becoming aware of the tragedy of intimate partner violence, by supporting those who are working toward its end, and by participating in community awareness efforts.

| Upon motion of Supervisor                 | , seconded by                                   |
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| Supervisor                                | _, and on the following roll call vote, to-wit: |
| AYES:                                     |   |
| NOES:                                     |   |
| ABSENT:                                   |   |
| ABSTAINING:                               |   |
| the foregoing resolution is hereby adopte | d.  |
|   | Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors         |
| ATTEST:                                   |   |
| Clerk of the Board of Supervisors         |   |
| [SEAL]                                    |   |

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| Supervisors, in and for the County of San      | Luis Obispo, State of California, do hereby certify the |
| ±  | y of an order made by the Board of Supervisors, as the  |
| WITNESS my hand and the seal of October, 2016. | f said Board of Supervisors, affixed this 4th day of    |
|  | County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk                       |
|  | of the Board of Supervisors                             |
| (SEAL)   | of the Board of Supervisors                             |
|  | By:   |
|  | Denuty Clerk  |